PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER		DATE	May 02, 2018
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER		DOCKET NO.	2018-74-WS
UTILITIES MATTER	✓	ORDER NO.	2018-325

THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.

SUBJECT:

<u>DOCKET NO. 2018-74-WS</u> - <u>Application of Carolina Water Service, Incorporated for Approval of a Franchise Agreement between Carolina Water Service, Incorporated and York County, South Carolina</u> - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration the Application for Approval of a Franchise Agreement between Carolina Water Service, Incorporated and York County, South Carolina.

COMMISSION ACTION:

On March 2, 2018, Carolina Water Service, Inc. filed for approval of the franchise agreement between Carolina Water Service and York County. This agreement, signed on February 5, 2018, took over a year to negotiate and replaces an agreement which expired in January 2017. On March 30, 2018, the Office of Regulatory Staff filed a letter requesting this matter be held in abeyance stating "that this matter warrants additional inquiry." Specifically, ORS says further investigation of the cost of the agreement, including impacts to ratepayers, is needed. Carolina Water Service has been operating under this agreement since its execution three months ago. Neither this Commission nor the ORS has jurisdiction over the rates that York County charges. Therefore, I move that the request to hold this matter in abeyance be denied and the agreement approved.

PRESIDING: Whitfield					SESSIC	N: <u>Re</u>	gular		TIME:	2:0	00 p.n	٦.
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BOCKMAN	✓	✓										
ELAM		✓										
FLEMING		✓										
HAMILTON		✓										
HOWARD		✓										
RANDALL		✓										
WHITFIELD		✓										
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